

pictures of his jumps. Mrs. JoAnn VanMeter stayed at home, raising their four children. She baked everything from hamburger buns to apple pie. The children never knew what "store-bought" bread and pastries were until they were teenagers and Mrs. VanMeter returned to work.

Thirty-nine years ago, Mr. VanMeter completed the house that the couple lives in to this day. It took him two years to build, in part because of his refusal to allow anyone to help him with any part of the process, including the electrical and plumbing.

Mr. and Mrs. VanMeter have five grandchildren, ages 12-25. As they did their own children, they continue to show a patience and loyalty to them. They instill into their grandchildren the same principles they passed to their children: hard work, patience, and a willingness to try new things.

Mr. President, on this special occasion, I congratulate Mr. and Mrs. VanMeter. On behalf of the entire United States Senate, I wish them a happy 50th wedding anniversary, and best of luck in the future.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:36 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2328. An act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Clean Lakes Program.

H.R. 2884. An act to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through fiscal year 2003.

H.R. 3039. An act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to assist in the restoration of the Chesapeake Bay, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION AND BILL SIGNED

At 12:36 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled joint resolution and bill:

S.J. Res. 43. A joint resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the President of the United States should encourage free and fair elections and respect for democracy in Peru.

H.R. 1658. An act to provide a more just and uniform procedure for Federal civil forfeitures, and for other purposes.

The enrolled joint resolution bill was signed subsequently by the President Pro Tempore (Mr. THURMOND).

At 1:30 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 290) establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2001, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal Year 2000, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2002 through 2005.

MEASURE REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 2328. An act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Clean Lakes Program; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 1838. An act to assist in the enhancement of the security of Taiwan, and for other purposes.

The following bills were read the first and second times, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 2884. An act to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through fiscal year 2003.

H.R. 3039. An act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to assist in the restoration of the Chesapeake Bay, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on April 13, 2000, he had presented to the President of the United States, that the following enrolled joint resolution:

S.J. Res. 43. A joint resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the President of the United States should encourage free and fair elections and respect for democracy in Peru.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-8471. A communication from the Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant

to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to Implement Economic Development Reform Act of 1998—Grant Rate Eligibility; Disaster Assistance Based on High Unemployment; Final Rule"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8472. A communication from the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation amending the Toxic Substances Control Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8473. A communication from the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Air Quality Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; Delaware; Control of Emissions from Existing Hospital/Medical/Infectious Waste Incinerators" (FRL # 6577-7), received April 10, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8474. A communication from the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; Connecticut; Plan for Controlling MWC Emissions from Existing MWC Plants" (FRL # 6577-3), received April 10, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8475. A communication from the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources (NSPS) and National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) delegation of Authority to the States of Iowa; Kansas; Missouri; Nebraska; Lincoln-Lancaster County, Nebraska; and City of Omaha, Nebraska" (FRL # 6577-1), received April 10, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8476. A communication from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation amending the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8477. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the fiscal year 2001 Performance Plan and the fiscal year 1999 Performance Report; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8478. A communication from the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations; Definition of Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) Requirements for Operators of Small Passenger-Carrying CMVs" (RIN2126-AA51(Formerly RIN2125-AE22)), received April 10, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8479. A communication from the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fisheries; 2000 Specifications" (RIN0648-AM49), received April 10, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8480. A communication from the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive